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A PROCESS, CONFIGURATION SERVER, SIGNALLING SERVER, COMPUTER PROGRAM AND STORAGE MEDIUM FOR THE GENERATION OF SERVICE

FUNCTION MODULES

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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